

under subpart 3472 of this title or under §§ 3420.1-3(b)(1)(iv) and 3420.1-3(b)(2)(ii) of this title;

(2) The lease bond is insufficient;

(3) The filing fee has not been submitted;

(4) The transferee would hold the lease in violation of the acreage requirements set out in subpart 3472 of this title;

(5) The transfer would create an over-riding royalty or other interest in violation of § 3473.3-2 of this title;

(6) The lease account is not in good standing;

(7) The information required under § 3453.2-2(e) and (f) of this title has not been submitted; or

(8) The transferee is subject to the prohibition in § 3472.1-2(e) of this title.

(b) When the licensee proposes to transfer an exploration license, any other participating parties in the license shall be given the right of first refusal. If none of the participating parties wishes to assume the license, the license may be transferred if:

(1) The exploration bond is sufficient;

(2) The filing fee has been submitted; and

(3) The license account is in good standing.

(c) A preference right lease application may be transferred as a whole only to any party qualified to hold a lease under subpart 3472 of this title.

[47 FR 33148, July 30, 1982, as amended at 50 FR 42023, Oct. 17, 1985]

#### § 3453.3-2 Disapproval of transfers.

(a) The authorized officer shall deny approval of a transfer if any reason why the transfer cannot be approved (listed in § 3453.3-1 of this title) is not cured within the time established by the authorized officer in a decision notifying the applicant for approval why the transfer cannot be approved.

(b) The authorized officer shall not approve a transfer of a lease until 30 days after the requirements of § 3422.3-4 of this title have been met.

[44 FR 42635, July 19, 1979, as amended at 47 FR 33148, July 30, 1982]

#### § 3453.3-3 Effective date.

A transfer shall take effect the first day of the month following its final ap-

proval by the Bureau of Land Management, or if the transferee requests in writing, the first day of the month of the approval. The Governor of the affected State(s) shall be given reasonable notice of any lease transfer.

[44 FR 42635, July 19, 1979, as amended at 47 FR 33148, July 30, 1982; 48 FR 37656, Aug. 19, 1983]

#### § 3453.3-4 Extensions.

(a) The filing of or approval of any transfer shall not alter any terms or extend any time periods under the lease, including those dealing with readjustment of the lease and the diligent development and continued operation on the lease.

(b) The filing of or approval of a transfer of an exploration license shall not extend the term of the license beyond the statutory 2-year maximum.

[44 FR 42635, July 19, 1979, as amended at 47 FR 33148, July 30, 1982; 47 FR 38131, Aug. 30, 1982]

### PART 3460—ENVIRONMENT

#### Subpart 3461—Federal Lands Review: Unsuitability for Mining

Sec.

3461.0-3 Authority.

3461.0-6 Policy.

3461.0-7 Scope.

3461.1 Underground mining exemption from criteria.

3461.2 Unsuitability assessment procedures.

3461.2-1 Assessment and land use planning.

3461.2-2 Consultation on unsuitability assessments.

3461.3 Relationship of leasing to unsuitability assessment.

3461.3-1 Application of criteria on unleased lands.

3461.3-2 Application of criteria on leased lands.

3461.4 Exploration.

3461.5 Criteria for assessing lands unsuitable for all or certain stipulated methods of coal mining.

#### Subpart 3465—Surface Management and Protection

3465.0-1 Purpose.

3465.0-3 Authority.

3465.0-7 Applicability.

3465.1 Use of surface.

3465.2 Inspections and noncompliance.

3465.2-1 Inspections.

3465.2-2 Discovery of noncompliance.